Retreat - Executive Committee and Standing Committee Chairs
January 16, 2007

Attendees
Marshall Cates, Bernadette Cheyne, Jacquelyn Kegley, Mark O’Shea, Paul Persons, Barry Pasternack, Marshelle Thobaben, Hank Reichman, and Darlene Yee-Melichar.

Visitors
Ann Peacock, ASCSU Executive Director, Gary Reichard, Executive Vice Chancellor, and Craig Smith, Faculty Trustee.

All contracts have been settled except Unit 3. What should the Senate do? We requested that the Faculty Affairs Committee Chair consider a resolution that would spell out the impact on hiring, retention, professional development, civility, and to use the fact finding as a means to restart negotiations.

Standing Committee Goals

Mark O’Shea, Chair, TEKR, stated that the committee would like to see the development of an annual report on the status of Teacher Education as a tool for campuses to use: teacher supply and demand, initiatives, and best practices.

TEKR will investigate what progress is being made in the use of the Assistant Vice Chancellor Wilson and Associate Director Wright’s report.

Re-authorization of No Child Left Behind – what are the issues? How has California responded? Almost all effort is toward fidelity to the text.

Bernadette Cheyne, Chair, Faculty Affairs, reported that the committee has compiled the responses from Statewide Senators to “The Role of Scholarly Research and Creative Activities in the CSU” document and asked for advice as to the next step. It was decided that the response document would be disseminated at the plenary with a final request for input. FAC then will provide a formal response to Chair Thobaben by Tuesday of next week. Also on the Committee’s agenda are: (1) strategies for gauging faculty satisfaction, including the option of creating a systemwide survey, (2) faculty rights related to the audio/ videotaping of class sessions, and (3) some of the broader issues related to international programs. Chair Cheyne asked whether FAC should take any further action regarding ACR 73, and it was decided to let the matter rest for the moment. The Executive Committee requested that FAC create a
resolution urging the CSU and CFA to settle the contract. The Committee will have a resolution prepared for this plenary.

Darlene Yee, Chair, Academic Affairs, stated that the committee will continue to draw upon a “systems approach” consisting of “input, throughput and output” in reaching its group goals. “Input” will be achieved through data collection and information updates such as Liaison Reports from Drs. Keith Boyum and Chris Hanson in the Chancellor’s Office, 16 systemwide committees and task forces, and several special initiatives (Accessible Technology Initiative, CSU Textbook Taskforce, Taskforce on Drop, Withdrawal, Incomplete and Repeat Policies, and Workgroup to Consider Professional Fee for MBA Programs).

“Throughput” will be achieved through interactive discussions on items such as: Memo from A Jones - CSU Admission Requirement for Laboratory Science Courses; Report on meeting of the California Postsecondary Education Commission on December 12-13, 2006 in Sacramento; Paper on The Place of Graduate Education in the CSU developed by the Academic Council; GE Courses and On-Line Education; Alternatives to FTEs based-funding; Remediation; and Enrollment management and cancellation of small classes.

“Output” will be achieved through actions such as resolutions on: A Student Fee Policy that Supports Educational Outcomes; Principles to Guide the Application of the TCSU Numbering System for CSU Systemwide Articulation; Response to SB 1543 (Alarcon): High School Curriculum; High School Coursework Requirements (jointly with TEKR); Support of the A-G Curriculum as California’s High School Graduation Course Requirements (jointly with TEKR); Resource Needs for High-Quality, Independent Ed.D. Programs in the CSU (jointly with FGA); Support for Carnegie’s New Elective Community Engagement Classification; and Support for Professional Science Master’s (PSM) Degree Programs.

Jacquelyn Kegley, Chair FGA, stated that the committee is working on a resolution on the fee question, particularly the CPEC recommendation to freeze fees for five years. However, this would only be done in the strong context of seeking full and adequate funding for CSU from the state, and, in fact, seeking advance funding. The committee will also work on a resolution on the seeking funds for the graduate differential funding in the base. In addition, the committee will be planning its Legislative Day visits in April. In the spring, the committee will work on a resolution on budget and legislative priorities. The committee will also continue to advocate for ACR 73.

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The agenda was approved
The minutes of December 8 were approved

Naming of an Academic Entity- CSU Fresno. The process has involved faculty input.

Access and Excellence (beyond Cornerstones) update
A system wide conference is to be held in Newport Beach April 24 - 25, 2007. The steering committee meets on April 4. The schedule for the campus meetings was presented.

Assistant Vice Chancellor Beverly Young
We are planning a major CSU Teacher Education Faculty Professional Development event on Friday, March 9. This will be an opportunity for our teacher education faculty from all campuses to share information and to hear about the latest work in a number of special areas, resulting from the work of several colleague faculty groups. Each campus will send a team of approximately 10-12 faculty for this one-day meeting. The day’s topics will include:

- Work with special education students
- How to better prepare secondary teachers to teach mathematics, English, social science, and science
- How to better prepare future high school teachers of English and Math to facilitate their students’ college and career readiness
- What an analysis of high achieving schools can tell future teachers about “best practices” with at-risk students
- An opportunity to work with colleagues from other campuses on program improvements related to: 1) English learners, 2) parent communication, 3) class room management, 4) education technology, and 5) At-Risk populations

Dr. Young will invite TEKR to send members of the committee to the event.

**Executive Vice Chancellor Gary Reichard** discussed the position description for Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research Initiatives and Partnerships. He shared the letter to presidents concerning the campus meetings on Access to Excellence.

Interim Assistant Vice Chancellor Ambos and Executive Vice Chancellor Reichard will send the current documents on research and creative activities to the senate. The Executive Committee will provide the senators with hard copies and ask for a very fast reply.

**Joint meeting** with the Executive Committee, FGA committee, Executive Vice Chancellor Gary Reichard, Assistant Vice Chancellors Allison Jones and Patrick Lenz regarding legislative action. Assistant Vice Chancellor Karen Zamarripa joined via phone.

We asked how FGA and the senate could be involved with legislative lobbying. Zamarripa presented an overview of the CSU proposals and the legislative calendars. FGA asked questions about process and about the status of certain proposals. Zamarripa agreed to do an advocacy workshop for the senate.

Ways of involving the senate earlier in the development of proposals was discussed.

Lenz brought us up date on the budget, followed by clarifying questions.

**Member at Large Election**

The Executive committee discussed changes and actions necessitated by the death of Paul Persons. We will hold elections for the member at large position on March 8.

**January 23, 2007**

The Chair and Secretary of the Executive Committee, Academic Senate CSU and the Executive Committee of the CSSA met.